

House Resolution No. 1706

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Dorothy Lee Faris Ruth of Downing, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday with a special celebration on March 29, 2008, at the Downing Christian Church; and

Whereas, on March 28, 1908, on a family farm in Schuyler County, God brought a special gift to Elbridge and Frances Faris with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Dorothy, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Dorothy Ruth had the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her marriage to Earl E. Ruth and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, Dorothy Ruth has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include Emma, Roberta (deceased), and Earl (deceased); ten grandchildren; thirteen great-grandchildren; and thirteen great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Dorothy Ruth has further distinguished herself by working for the International Harvester Company for twenty three years and Chicago Circle College, and by being a member of the Downing Christian Church, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Rebekah Lodge, the latter two of which she has been a member for more than sixty years; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 100, Dorothy Ruth is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Dorothy Ruth at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Dorothy Lee Faris Ruth, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Munzlinger
District No. 1

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1706, adopted April 9, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker